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Award

Variation for the Management and Management of Parks and Open Spaces Contract

Westminster City Council

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Westminster City Council

64 Victoria Street

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI32 - Westminster

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.westminster.gov.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Variation for the Management and Management of Parks and Open Spaces Contract

Reference number

PRJ_30783

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77314000 - Grounds maintenance services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Following a procurement procedure in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (PCR 2015), Westminster City Council awarded a contract with Continental Landscapes Limited for the Management and Maintenance of Parks, Open Spaces and Cemeteries dated 1 May 2019.

The contract commenced on 1 April 2017 for a period of 6 years with the option to extend up to a maximum of a further 6 years. The first extension period of 3 years is due to expire on 31 March 2026.

The Council intends to take up the remaining 3 year extension up to 31 March 2029.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £63,400,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI32 - Westminster

Main site or place of performance

Westminster City Council

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The original tender notice (388025-2016) stated an estimated value of £13,200,000 but this range failed to take account of the value of the potential extension options.

The subsequent award notice (468882-2017) stated a total contract value of £24,700,000.

The value of the contract over the full contract period has increased from the contract award notice sum of £24,700,000 to the estimated level of £63,400,000. The increase in contract expenditure is accounted for by services and costs included as in the original contract but with a higher than anticipated spend. These being on ad hoc services, inflation and increases in wage costs, all as provided for in the contract.

Non-substantial amendments are proposed to the service for greening and biodiversity, social value improvements, extreme weather management plan and cemetery improvement.

Continental Landscapes Limited changed its name to Krinkels UK Ltd in January 2025.

NB: All figures stated above exclude VAT.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

This notice does not relate to the award of a new contract, but rather the variation of an existing contract described at Section II.2.4 above. Accordingly, the variation may lawfully be agreed between the parties and implemented without the need to conduct a fresh procurement procedure.

The extension of the contract for the full advertised term is permitted in accordance with Regulation 72(1)(a) PCR 2015. Modifications which have been provided for in the initial procurement documents in a clear, precise and unequivocal review clause may be made irrespective of their monetary value.

The non-substantial amendments are proposed to the service for greening and biodiversity, social value improvements, extreme weather management plan and cemetery improvement are permitted in accordance with Regulation 72(1)(e) and (8) PCR 2015 as the modifications are not “substantial” within that meaning.

- a) The character of the original contract and the services to be delivered by the Contractor will remain substantially the same after the variation and is not rendered materially different in character from the one originally concluded.
- b) The Authority has satisfied itself that the variation does not introduce conditions which would have: 1. allowed for the admission of other candidates, 2. allowed for the acceptance of another tender, or 3. attracted additional participants in the procurement procedure.
- c) The variation does not change the economic balance in favour of Krinkels in a manner which was not provided for in the contract - The Authority has satisfied itself that the modification does not impact on Krinkels operating costs under the original contract.
- d) The additional services do not extend the scope of the contract considerably.
- e) There is no change in contractor.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

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Title

Management & Maintenance of Parks, Open Spaces & Cemeteries

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 April 2017

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Krinkels UK Limited

Wychwood House, 4 Landscape, Close, Weston On The Green,

Bicester

OX25 3SX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £63,400,000

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom